Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know, at what stage the question of X-ray is ?

Mr. President. Order, order. That is not in order.

Demand put and carried

24. Rs. 8,000 under "23-Medical—2—Mental Hospital—Dietary charges"

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 8,000 under "23-Medical—2—Mental Hospital—Dietary charges". I request the House may be pleased to sanction the same.

Demand put and carried

25. Rs. 5,700 under "23-Medical—5—Tuberculosis operations"

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer):* Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 5,700 under "23-Medical—5—Tuberculosis operations—Dietary Charges". I request the House may be pleased to sanction the allotment.

Cut motion

***Mr. Joseph Pettah** *(Adur):* I beg to move that the amount of Rs. 5,700 for Tuberculosis operations under "23-Medical" be reduced by Re. 1. My purpose is *to point out the necessity of increased provision for diet and other facilities for in-patients in the Tuberculosis Clinic at Trichur.* In the first place I beg to point out that this institution has proved to be a very useful one in Trichur and it is being increasingly patronised by the Public and the attendance is very generally increasing. In 1118 they had treated 1120 out-patients and 179 in-patients and I am sure more of in-patients would have been admitted had there been provision for the same. It may be very well-known to the Hon'ble Members of this House that this Institution came into being as the result of the munificence of a philanthropic private gentleman who is no other than the Hon'ble Member Mr. Thattil Kochuvareed, who is sitting on my left.

It was a very rare example of a munificence by a private gentleman shown in that most proper direction and a private party having done so much in this particular cause it is only proper that this institution is maintained by Government in such a fashion as to secure to the public the maximum benefit out of it. The more so has this point to be considered now. It is assuming greater importance now because on account of the dust nuisance in Trichur I should think that T. B. complaints are on the increase. The records in the hospital may not corroborate my statement as a matter of fact we know that T. B. complaints very generaly encouraged by the dust nuisance are on the increase. In fact the dust nuisance as everybody knows is deplorable in Trichur. Again another thing to which I would like to draw the attention of the Hon'ble House is this. There is I understand a proposal now pending with the Government of starting a Sanitorium at Mulakunnathukavu and I think we can count on the generosity of the old individual for a substantial contribution to that institution. My point in bringing that institution to the discussion is because that institution I understand would be a sanitorium where cases proclaimed and diagnosed as T. B. would be given admission. The Trichur Clinic would continue as an investigation post as it were so that cases may be investigated there and diagnosed properly and only deserving cases would be sent finally to the Sanitorium. So this proposal if it materilises would also be another reason to amplify the facilities now obtaining in the T. B. Clinic at Trichur. At Trichur no large ornamentation is necessary. I think the Chief Medical Officer will admit that the T. B. Clinic is a useful institution but on account of the limited facilities provided only very few persons are entertained there. In-patients are not entertained for a long period. They are entertained for a short period. Even for them the facilities are very limited. Of course more beds and more dietary charges have to be provided. I understand in the matter of other hospitals are in a serious predicament. Well I might have said the same thing about all the hospitals. I shall confine myself on the present motion to the case of Tuberculosis operation and the T.B. Clinic at Trichur before the House. In order to draw the attention and to do something by way of providing these facilities in the T. B. Clinic, Trichur.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Mr. President, I beg leave to bring to the notice of the Hon'ble Member for Medicine, that it is not good enough to see that the dietary

*Speech not corrected by the Hon'ble Member.

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